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Four newcomers in Blues' squad

FORMER Wycombe Wanderers Paul Fuschillo, Geoff Anthony and John Delaney are in the Blues squad to meet Wimbledon away tonight (Tuesday) for the club's first public friendly of the season. There are also four new players in the line-up.

The new faces are Ray Eaton, Enfield's left back last season, Paul Sussons, an ex-West Ham player, and two former Loughborough College representatives Derek Harris and Derek Cotterell.

Paul Fuschillo played two seasons at Loakes Park and won international caps at full back before signing professional at Blackpool. He played a handful of first team games and was then signed by Brian Clough at Brighton last season. Injury dogged his progress although he did play a few games for the first team in a midfield role. At Wycombe he is likely to revert to full back.

Geoff Anthony also spent a couple of seasons with Wycombe before leaving for Slough where he played last season. Towards the end of the term he turned out in a friendly for the Blues and scored two goals in their 6-1 victory over Southend. A nippy and skilful forward, he will do much to fill the gap left by the departure of Keith Searle.

Another player who will be hoping to take over from Searle at Wycombe is Harris, who is a useful centre forward and has played for British College representative sides. He has also played a few games for Wanderers in the past. Cotterell is a midfield player.

Paul Sussons is still troubled by a leg injury but should prove a useful acquisition to the club. He is also a county tennis player.

All of these players, with the exception of Cotterell, played in Wycombe's first competitive run-out of the season at Bisham

Abbey on Saturday. In heatwave conditions, they drew 2-2 with Maidenhead United.

Several of the familiar faces were missing — John Maskell, Tony Horseman and Mick Holifield all on holiday while Paul Birdseye was attending a wedding and Terry Reardon was injured in training. Dave Bullock went in goal and was beaten once before halftime while Wanderers twice hit the woodwork.

A good goal from a corner by newcomer Harris levelled the scores in the second half and then Dylan Evans put the Blues 2-1 up. Maidenhead equalised with just seconds remaining when Ray Eaton sent a back pass over Bullock's head.

Saturday's team was: Dave Bullock; Paul Fuschillo, John Delaney, Keith Mead, Ray Eaton; Dave Alexander, Howard Kennedy, Paul Sussons, Graham Mackenzie; Geoff Anthony, Derek Harris, Dylan Evans.

Wimbledon have retained all their players from last season when they won the Southern League and enjoyed such a superb run in the F.A. Cup which included a 0-0 draw at Elland Road, home of Leeds United. They have three newcomers — Henry Falconer from Bournemouth, Billy Holmes from Barnet and Gary Allen. Holmes cost them £2,000.

Dickie Guy, who saved a Peter Lorimer penalty against Leeds in the Cup, is expected to play but striker Roger Connell, one of several former Walton and Hersham players in the side, is doubtful through injury.

Wimbledon lost 4-2 to the full Watford first team on Saturday in their first friendly, four goals in six minutes from Watford virtually ending the match as a contest although the Dons came back well with goals from Ian Cooke, the skipper and Holmes.